

## House Resolution No. 932

**Whereas**, it is with special pleasure that the members of the Missouri House of Representatives pause to recognize Lylian Huffman and her husband, the late Marion Huffman, for their significant contributions to the success of the Republican Party in Wright County; and

**Whereas**, the son of Francis M. and Jessie Louise Shepard Huffman who was born in Norwood, Missouri, on January 30, 1907, Marion Jesse Huffman attended Southwest Missouri State Teachers College and graduated from Cumberland University School of Law in Lebanon, Tennessee, before practicing law in Mountain Grove and serving as Wright County Prosecuting Attorney from 1935 to 1944 and as Wright County Associate Circuit Judge from 1971 to 1982, when he retired and entered private practice; and

**Whereas**, prior to his death on February 25, 1983, Marion Huffman compiled an enviable list of service to the Republican Party that included representing Wright County in the Missouri House of Representatives in the mid-1940s, working tirelessly on various grass-roots campaigns, and serving as chairman of the Central Committee; and

**Whereas**, the daughter of Elvin and Mae Bridger Lee, Lylian Lenore Lee came into this world in Mountain Grove on December 7, 1907, and graduated from Mountain Grove High School and Southwest Missouri State University before enjoying a long and successful career as an elementary school teacher at Fairview, Mountain Grove, and Hartville, and as editor and publisher of the Wright County Republican during the late 1940s and early 1950s; and

**Whereas**, a remarkable woman who continues to supervise a telephone tree, Lylian Huffman worked diligently on the campaigns of numerous Republican candidates, distinguished herself as a member of the Republican State Committee, attended the 1960 Republican National Convention in Chicago, served as an alternate delegate to the 1968 convention in Miami, and was honored in 1995 by the Missouri Republican Federated Women; and

**Whereas**, Marion and Lylian Huffman were abundantly blessed with the love and admiration of a wonderful family whose members include their children, Marilyn of Springfield, and Phil and Sherry of Hartville; and their grandchildren, Hilary, an attorney in St. Louis, and Grier and his wife, Beth, who are completing their graduate degrees at Southwest Missouri State University in Springfield:

**Now, therefore, be it resolved** that we, the members of the Missouri House of Representatives, Ninety-first General Assembly, unanimously join in applauding the achievements of Lylian Huffman and the late Marion Jesse Huffman as they are honored for their contributions to the Republican Party and Wright County during Lincoln Days; and

**Be it further resolved** that the Chief Clerk of the Missouri House of Representatives be instructed to prepare a properly inscribed copy of this resolution for Lylian Huffman and her late husband, Marion Jesse Huffman.

Offered by \_\_\_\_\_  
Representative Van Kelly  
District No. 144

I, Jim Kreider, Speaker of the House of Representatives,  
Ninety-first General Assembly, Second Regular Session, do  
certify that the above is a true and correct copy of House

Resolution No. 932, adopted March 21, 2002.

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Jim Kreider, Speaker